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SUBJ: JAMES F. HORNE; ET.AL., DBA THE IRON TRIANGLE

REF: MEXICO 2116, GUATEMALA 2010

1. ALBERTO NORMAN GUZMAN VISITED EMBASSY 4/18/75 AND FURNISHED RSO COPY OF UNSIGNED LETTER DATED 4/18/75, BEARING LETTERHEAD "THE IRON TRIANGLE," WHICH GUZMAN HAD TYPED AT HORNE'S REQUEST. LETTER IS ADDRESSED TO CORONEL, COMMANDING, G-4 SECTION, GUATEMALAN ARMY HEADQUARTERS, GUATEMALA CITY AND IS PREPARED FOR SIGNATURE OF JAMES HORNE, PRESIDENT, THE IRON TRIANGLE. IN LETTER, HORNE MAKES OFFER TO SELL FOLLOWING EQUIPMENT:

- A) 500, HI STANDARD, .357 MAGNUMS AT \$138.50 EACH FOB NEWYORK
- B) 500, COLT, LAWREN MODEL MARK II, .38 CAL. REVOLVERS AT \$138.50 EACH FOB NY.
- C) 8,000, COLT, M-16 AUTOMATIC RIFLES AT \$241.20 FOB NY.
- D) 50,000 BOXES (50 PER BOX) .357 MAGNUM AMMO AT \$6.25 PER BOX.
- E) 20,000 BOXES (30 PER BOX) .223 AMMO. AT \$3.92 PER BOX FOB NY.

2. GUZMAN STATED HE CURRENTLY ASSISTING HORNE IN EXPORTATION 50,000 TONS PANELA FROM GUATEMALA TO US BUT IN VIEW CONTENTS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LETTER HORNE SENDING TO G-4 RE WEAPONS AND AMMO. IS CONCERNED

DOING BUSINESS WITH HORNE MAY CAUSE HIM PROBLEMS. GUZMAN
CLAIMS HIS ONLY CONNECTION WITH ARMS DEAL WAS TO HAVE PROPOSAL
LETTER TYPED.

3. GUZMAN STATED HE WILLING TO COOPERATE AND AVAILABLE TO GO
TO US TO GIVE STATEMENT OR TESTIFY IN MARVIN GUON CASE.
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